



American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (AAFS-FEPAC)

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PROFILE OF ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION

2020-2021

Accreditor types: Programmatic

Recognition Status: Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Range of Accreditation Activity: FEPAC accredits forensic science education programs that lead to a bachelor's or master's degree in forensic science or in a natural science with a forensic science concentration in the United States and Internationally. FEPAC will also accredit bachelor's or master's programs with a digital evidence concentration. (2015)

International Accreditation Activity:

2 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

n/a U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

Yes Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.

Sponsoring Organization: American Academy of Forensic Sciences

Composition of Decision-Making Body:

Five Academic Commissioners, Five Practitioner Commissioners, One Public Member

150,000 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only

16,000 Direct support from any sponsoring organization

n/a In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 1 Full-time **n/a** Part-time

Volunteers: 30 – served 2020-2021

PROFILE OF ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

2020-2021

51 Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Programs

51 Degree-Granting:

n/a Public

41 Private Nonprofit

10 Private For-Profit

n/a Non-Degree-Granting:

n/a Public

n/a Private Nonprofit

n/a Private For-Profit

964 Students

PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES

2020-2021

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: Annually

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: 5 years.

Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021

6 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted

0 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied

6 Initial Accreditation Granted

0 Initial Accreditation Denied

n/a Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review

n/a Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

n/a Notice or Warning

2 Probation

n/a Show Cause

n/a Accreditation Terminated or Removed

n/a Actions under Appeal

n/a Other

Summary of Additional Actions

11 Substantive Changes Reviewed

9 Site Visits

1 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation